

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 411
By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor Kylie Marie Beck, 1996 valedictorian of
Watertown High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Kylie Marie Beck is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as valedictorian of the 1996 graduating class of Watertown High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Kylie has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, before coming to Watertown four years ago, Kylie was a popular and highly regarded student at Friendship Christian School (grades 1-3), Watertown Elementary School (grades 4-6) and Watertown Junior High School (grades 7-8); and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, she has earned an exceptional grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Kylie has also been honored by being listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* (10th-11th grades), being selected Best Citizen (12th grade), Girls' State alternative (11th grade), Youth Leadership Wilson (11th grade), and she received the English 2 Award, the Spanish 2 Award and the Art Award (10th grade); and

WHEREAS, she has generously served with diligence and dedication in a leadership role in many school groups and activities, doing an excellent job as Editor of the Annual (12th grade), vice-president of the 4-H Club (11th grade), Secretary (11th grade) and Publicity Head (12th grade) of the STARS Executive Council, President of the Spanish Club (10th grade) and Co-Editor of the Newspaper Staff (11th grade); and

WHEREAS, Kylie has also been a valued member of the Beta Club (11th and 12th grades), the Drama group (11th grade), the Art Club (10th grade), Math Club (11th grade) and the Chorus (12th grade); and

WHEREAS, Kylie's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Ken and Wendy Beck, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools Kip Puryear and Principal John Johnson have been very supportive; and

WHEREAS, Kylie is a devout Christian and active member of the College Street Church of Christ, which is under the inspirational leadership of Brother Larry Locke; she has participated in several summer campaigns with the youth group and is looking forward to returning to Mexico to work with children in an orphanage she visited last summer; and

WHEREAS, she plans to attend Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas, and major in Graphic Design; and

WHEREAS, Kylie's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor, congratulate and commend Kylie Marie Beck, one of Tennessee's best and brightest, on being the 1996 valedictorian at Watertown High School and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, with this final resolving clause deleted, be presented to Kylie Marie Beck.